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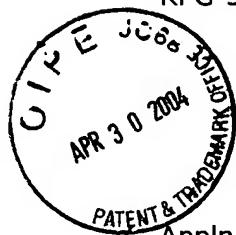
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Appln. No: 10/766,345
Applicant: SHIMAZU et al
Filed: January 28, 2004
Title: METHOD FOR DEVELOPING MULTILAYER IMAGEABLE ELEMENTS
TC/A.U.: Unknown
Examiner: Unknown

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Although the information submitted herewith may be "material" to the Examiner's consideration of the subject application, this submission is not intended to constitute an admission that such information is "prior art" as to the claimed invention.

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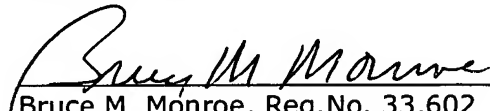
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- 1) "Method for Preparing Lithographic Printing Plates," Serial Number 10/393,762, filed March 21, 2003, pending in Group Art Unit 1756, Examiner Unknown.
- 2) "Preparation of Lithographic Printing Plates," Serial Number 10/309,626, filed December 4, 2002, Group Art Unit 1752, Examiner John S.Y. Chu.
- 3) "Method and Apparatus for Refreshment and Reuse of Loaded Developer," Serial Number 10/044,165, filed October 26, 2001, Group Art Unit 1724, Examiner Hoa Van Le.

4) "Method for Developing Multilayer Imageable Elements," Serial Number 10/625,229, filed July 23, 2003, Group Art Unit 1756, Examiner Unknown

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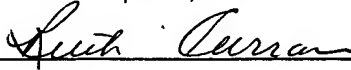
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		US-6,352,812	3/5/2002	SHIMAZU et al	
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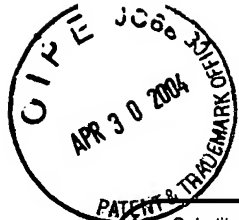
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